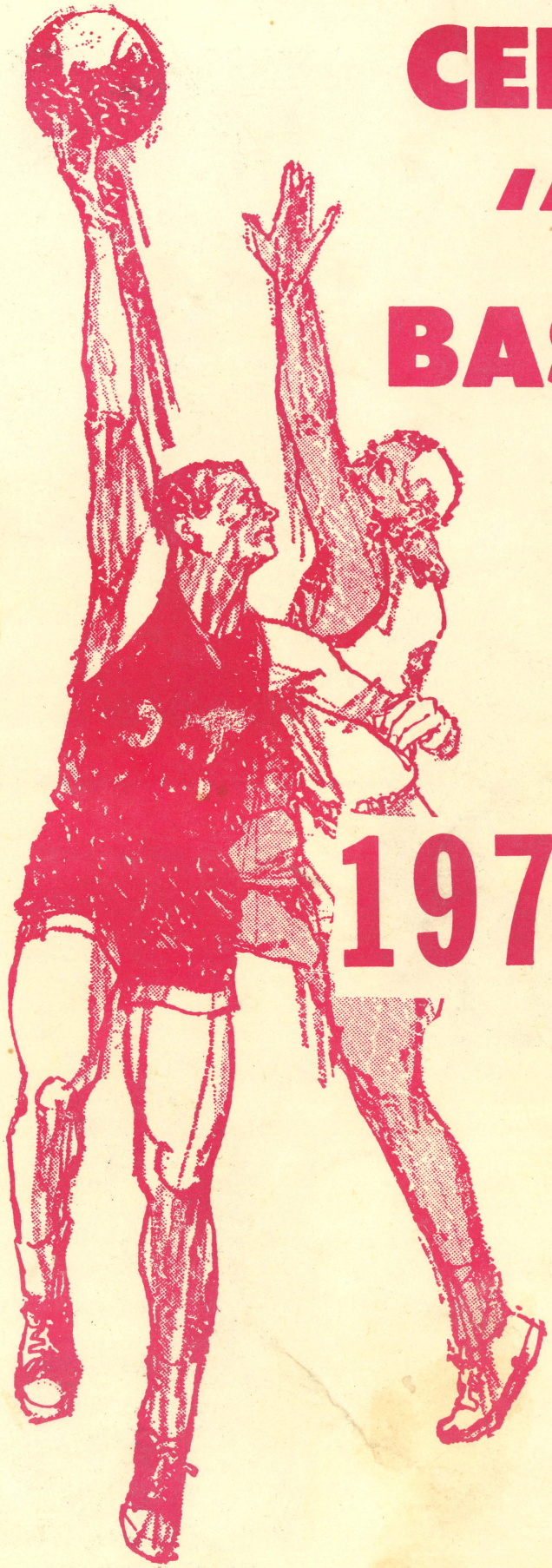

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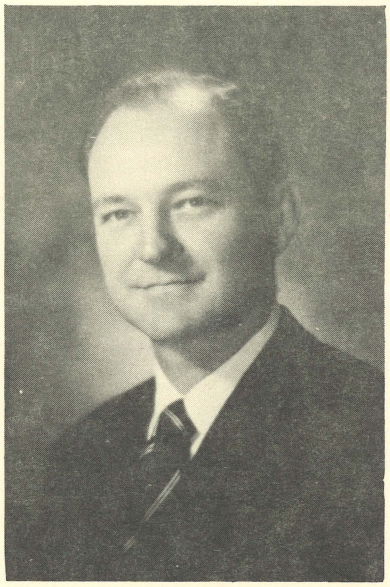

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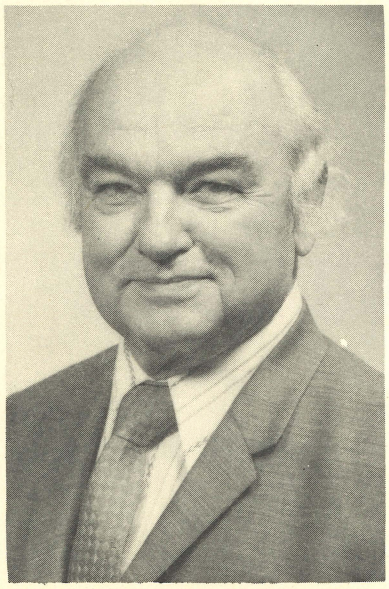

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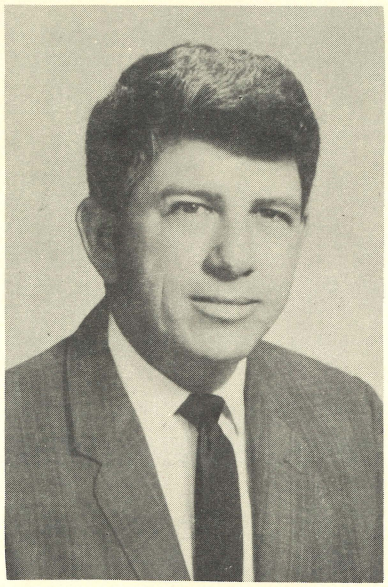

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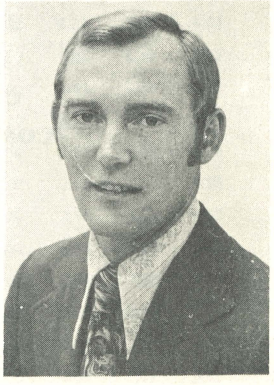
CENTENARY "GENTLEMEN" 1972-73

LARRY LITTLE is in his second year as head basketball coach at Centenary. Last year's 13-12 mark was the first winning season at Centenary in several years. Under Little, the Gents play a running and pressing style of basketball. With the addition of super player, Robert Parish, and sophomores Leon Johnson and Jerry Waugh the outdook for the 1972-73 campaign is one of the finest in the school's history. This year's team should possess good balance, team speed, and depth.

LARRY LITTLE
Head Basketball Coach

RILEY WALLACE begins his sixth year back at Centenary after a three year coaching stint in Illinois. As associate coach, Wallace handles the JV team and is in charge of the recruiting and scouting. Last year's freshmen team compiled a 20-4 record, one of the best ever at Centenary. The team demolished many opponents with its bristling fast break and its great teamwork. Wallace played at Centenary for Orvis Sigler, Centenary's present athletic director.



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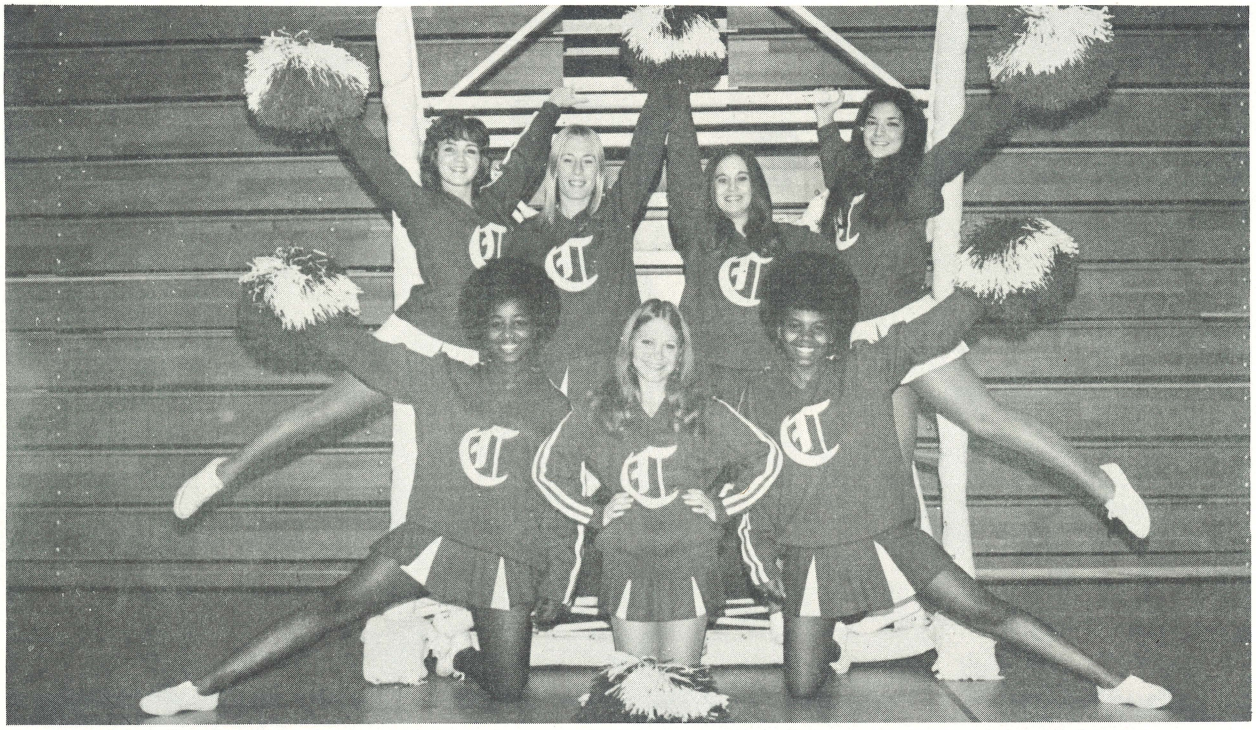

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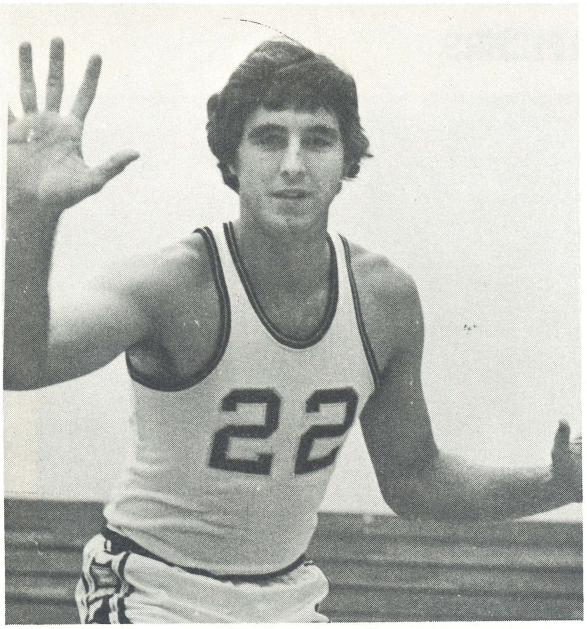

LARRY DAVIS

Centenary's "Mr. Everything," Larry (Spaceman) Davis led the Gents in virtually every offensive category last year, scoring 20.5 ppg. while pulling down 8.2 rebounds and hitting at a 54% clip from the floor. More than just talented, though, Larry is the heart of the team, always giving total effort in every game. Already the eighth highest scorer in the modern Centenary record book, Larry was named last year to the All-Opponent teams of Loyola and LSUNO—being the only unanimous choice on the former. A potential All-American candidate in what should be his finest year.

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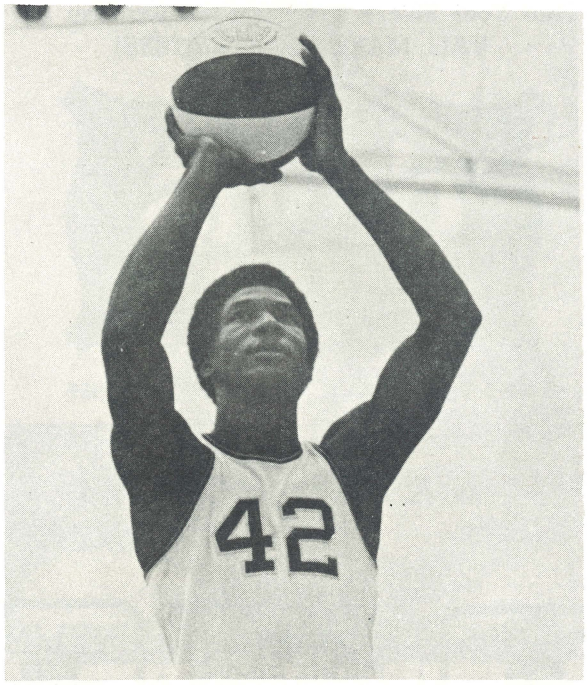
JOHN MURPHY

Another big inside man for the Gents, Murf saw considerable action last year, appearing in 19 games and hitting for a 3.7 average. He had the highest field goal percentage of any letterman, hitting on 54.7% of his attempts. With the development of quickness, John could be a great asset this season.



JAMES "SKEETER" HORNE

Forced into the unfamiliar position of center last season, Skeeter started slowly but hit his peak in mid-season, averaging 18 points and 9 rebounds a game during the month of January. A physical ball player, Horne, back at forward should help strengthen the Gent front line, which could well be one of its best ever.

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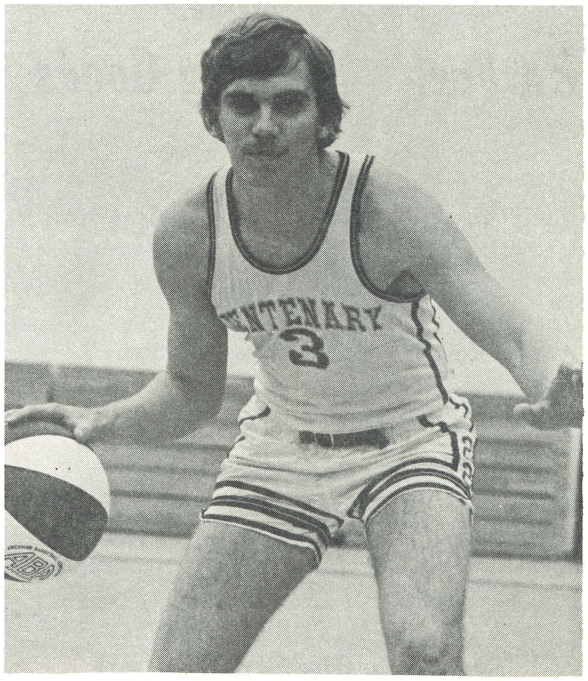

DALE KINKELAAR

The invaluable sixth man on the highly successful Gentlet team last year, Dale averaged 9.7 for the year while appearing in every game. He was also the squad's best foul shooter, hitting on over 75% from the charity line. While not busy doing other things, Kinkelaar managed to add 2.6 assists and 3.8 rebounds per game.

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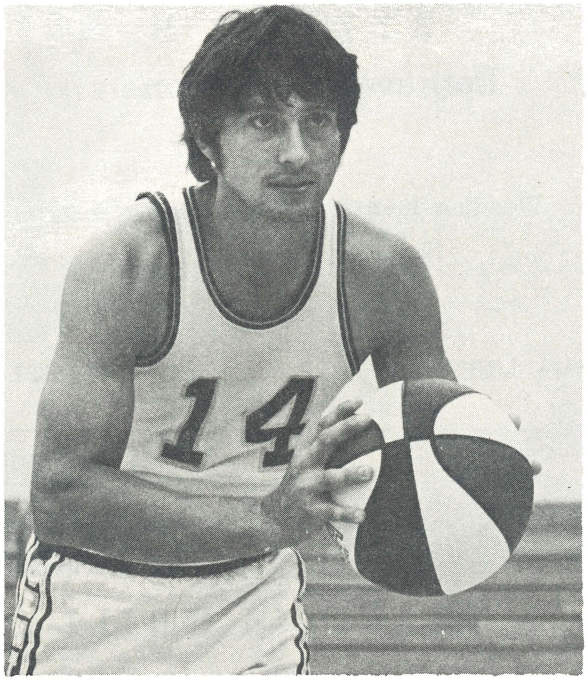

BENNIE DePRANG

A scrappy player, DePrang saw action in 10 games last season and proved to be an aggresive ball-handler. Bennie may be in for more action this year as a back-up to Centenary's regular guards and should prove to be more than competent in the line-up.

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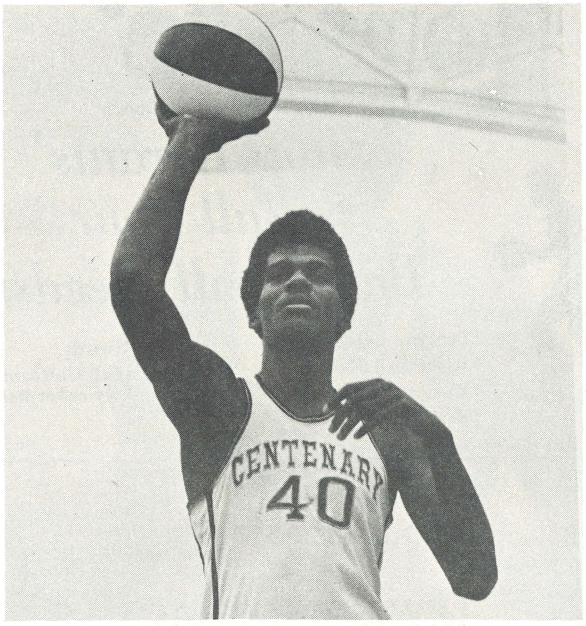
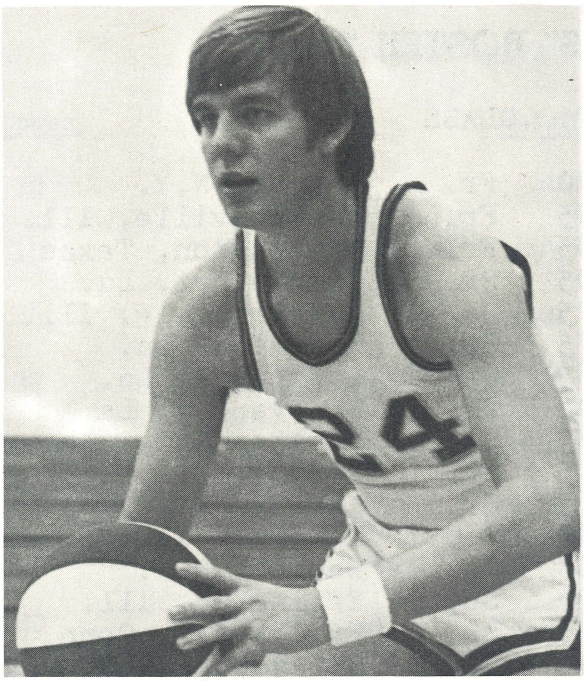


ROBERT PARISH

What can be said about a ball player of which everything has been said already? All-American, top high school basketballer in the country, successor to Russell, Jabbar (nee Alcindor) and Walton, and much, much more. That he has the talent no one doubts. In his Senior year he averaged 19.9 rebounds, scored 1136 points for a 30.7 average, led Woodlawn HS to the state 4-A championship, and the West to victory in the state All-Star game. Rob, however, is not superman, and will face some tough competition before reaching his tremendous potential. When that potential is reached, Parish should be something else.



DAVE DEETS

A scrappy and hustling ball-hawker, Deets earned more and more playing time last year, averaging over 10 minutes per game during February. With the experience gained and the determination shown, Dave could easily fill in at one of the guard spots this year with no noticeable loss of effectiveness.

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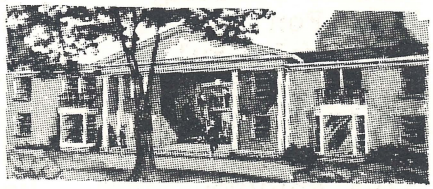

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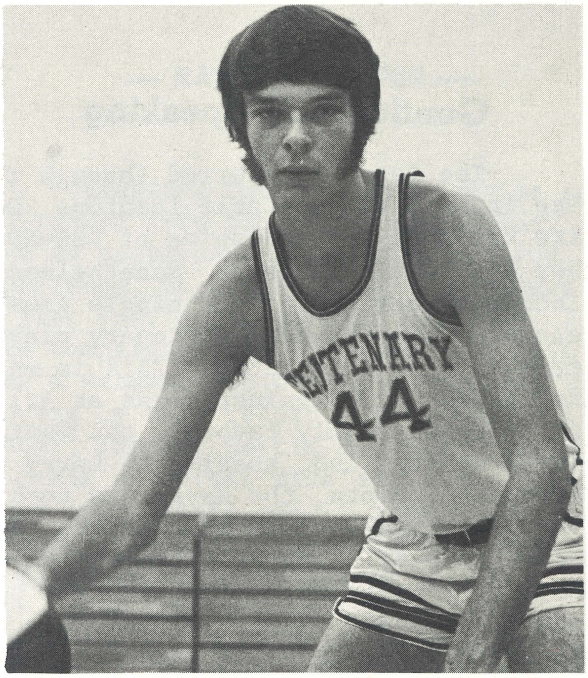

CAL SMITH

The fifth squad member from basketball-rich Illinois, Smith prepped at (Illinois State) University HS, where he dominated inside play, averaging 18.4 points while shooting for 57% effectiveness from the floor. He also pulled down 13.5 rebounds per game. Cal led University HS into the state Sweet Sixteen Tourney and a record of 21-9, while being named to several All-State honorable mention positions.

CENTENARY "GENTS" ROSTER '72-'73

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	CLASS	HOME TOWN
	Nate Bland	G	6-2	170	Fr.	Albany, N.Y.
	Jim Bonds	G	6-3	185	Fr.	Jacksonville, Ill.
	Welton Brookshire	F	6-8	185	Fr.	Huntington, Texas
22	Larry Davis	F	6-3	195	Sr.	Shreveport, La.
10	Dave Deets	G	6-0	175	Jr.	Collinsville, Ill.
14	Bennie DePrang	G	5-10	175	Sr.	Haughton, La.
	Wynn Fontenot	G	6-2	185	Sr.	Lafayette, La.
42	Roosevelt Fuller	G-F	6-3	190	Jr.	Shreveport, La.
34	John Hickerson	F	6-5	185	Sr.	Bossier City, La.
33	James Horne	F	6-7	215	Sr.	Albany, N.Y.
13	Milton Horne	G	6-0	165	Sr.	Albany, N.Y.
41	Rick Jacobs	G-F	6-4	190	So.	Mendota, Ill.
50	Leon Johnson	F	6-5	185	So.	Newark, N.J.
30	Dale Kinkelaar	G	6-3	180	So.	Effingham, Ill.
	Barry McLeod	G	6-0	175	So.	Bridgeport, Conn.
55	John Murphy	C	6-7	240	Sr.	Shreveport, La.
00	Robert Parish	C	7-0	215	Fr.	Shreveport, La.
20	Melvin Russell	G	6-1	185	Sr.	Shreveport, La.
	Cal Smith	F	6-7	190	Fr.	Normal, Ill.
21	Jerry Waugh	F	6-5	175	So.	Oklahoma City, Okla.
23	Stan Welker	G	6-1	160	So.	Oklahoma City, Okla.

Gentlemanly Speaking

The Gents sputterred through this week in less than notable fashion. Despite their 91-74 wallopping of LSU-NO, they were only sporadic. Nonetheless, aided by Robert Parrish's single game record of 25 rebounds, Centenary played strongly when it counted. This is what they couldn't do against Texas at Arlington. Though highly favored, the Gents played subpar, and, speared by Larry Moore's 41 points, the Mavericks took a 74-72 overtime victory that neither team seemed to want. The most commendably consistent performer this past week has been Leon Johnson. With 37 points and 22 rebounds in these two games, he was sorely missed when he fouled out in Arlington with time remaining. But the much discussed team potential is still there, and Coach Larry Little needs only to rally the troops. After all, with ten wins in thirteen games, the Gents are not being too lax on their opposition.

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PLAYER	FG	FT	FOUL	TP

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY ROSTER

Number	Name	Height	Weight	Class	Hometown
30	Jesse Dark	6-4	203	Jr.	Richmond, Va.
10	Dave Edwards*	6-1	165	Jr.	New York, N. Y.
24	Reggie Cain	6-2	170	Jr.	New York, N. Y.
32	Bill Zepplin	6-5	200	Jr.	Barnevald, Wis.
42	Bernard Harris	6-10	190	Jr.	Roanoke, Va.
14	Howie Robertson	6-0	160	Jr.	New York, N. Y.
22	Richard Jones	6-3	190	Soph.	Richmond, Va.
20	Jeff Hudgins	6-4	170	Fresh.	Statesville, N.C.
54	Tom Motley	6-6	215	Fresh.	Danville, Va.
34	James Jones	6-4	210	Fresh.	Newport News, Va.

*Captain

Head Coach and Athletic Director - Chuck Noe

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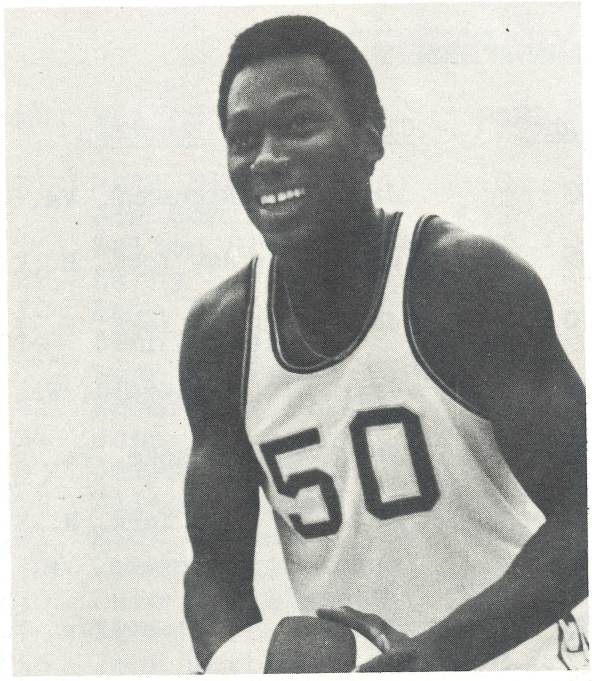
	PLAYER	FG	FT	FOUL	TP

— RAM RAMBLINGS —

Virginia Commonwealth carries an 8-2 record into tonight's game. They have an enormous wealth of talent and experience, as evidenced by the return of last year's six highest scorers. The Rams compiled a 15-4 worksheet in last year's season, and they seem bent on improving on that record this season. At center, Bernard Harris has the potential to break a contest wide open. He averaged 19.7 points and 11.5 rebounds for Commomwealth last year. He is joined by last season's top scorer in Jesse Dark (22.1 ppg) and by last season's top rebounder in Richard Jones (13.0 per game). A small team by many college standards, the Rams counteract their lack of team heighth with an aggressive defense and a rapidly paced offense.



LEON JOHNSON

Considered by many to be the best Freshman in the state last year, Leapin' Leon could well be Centenary's next superstar. Johnson can do it all—score (640 points for a 26.7 average, highest in Freshman history), shoot (hitting on over 50% of his shots from the field), rebound (380 for an average of 15.8), and even playmake (he accounted for over 3 assists per game). Definitely a man to watch for the Gents.

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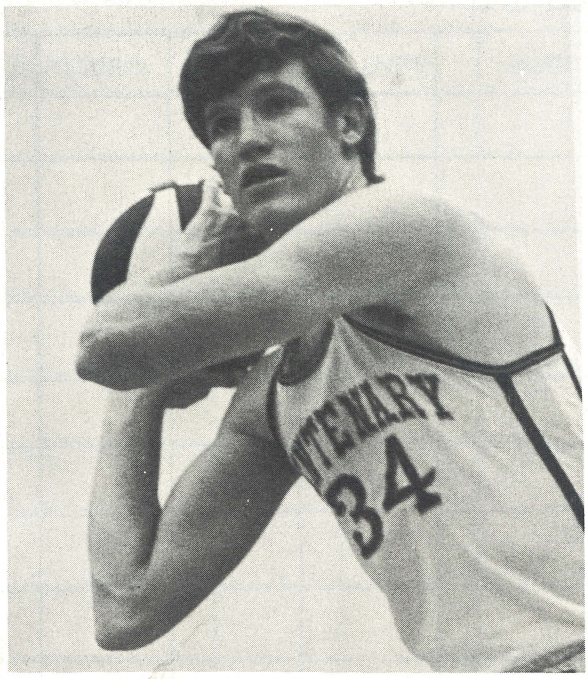
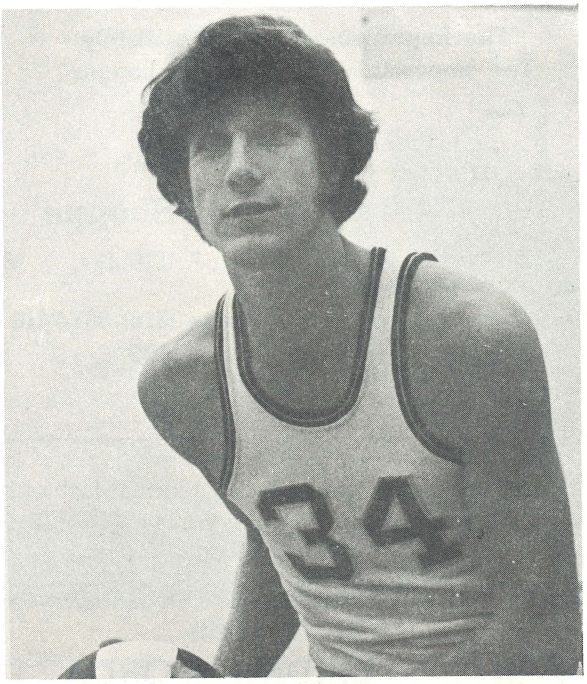


RICK JACOBS

One of the most consistent members of the Gentlet squad, Jacobs hit for over 400 points and pulled down more than 200 rebounds last year, playing both guard and forward. His season average of 17.5 points and 9.1 rebounds placed him third in both categories for the Frosh. A versatile player on offense and defense. Rick could break into the Varsity line-up at either of the above positions.



JOHN HICKERSON

Poised and precise under pressure, Slim became invaluable last season, delivering baskets and rebounds in clutch situations. John averaged over 18 ppg. in the stretch run when the Gents won 7 of 9, and ended the season as the team's number 2 scorer and number 3 rebounder. Equally valuable as a starter or a sixth man to revive a sagging attack.

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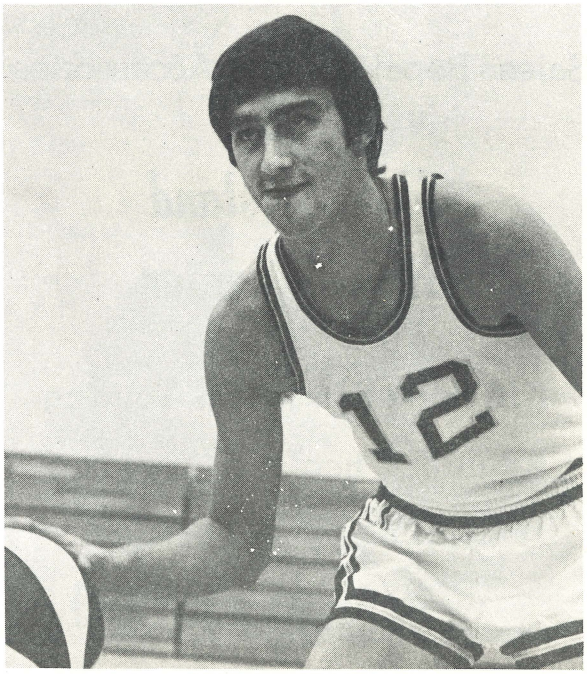
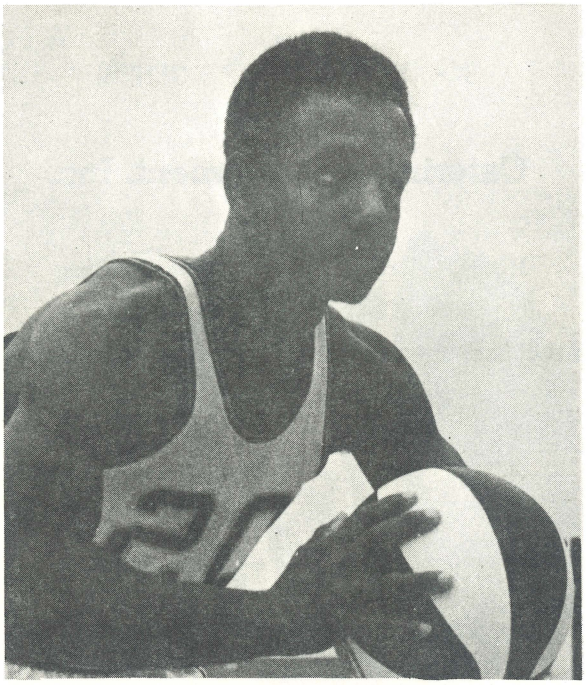


STAN WELKER

Last year's Freshmen could not have reached the height they did without a quarterback. Playing the role for the Gentlets was little Stan Welker. Aggressive on defense, scrappy on offense, Welker averaged almost 4 assists per game, as well as pumping in 15.7 points of his own. An excellent outside shot, he hit on over 51% of his field attempts as well as over 70% from the charity stripe.



MELVIN RUSSELL

Like Davis an All-State selection from Woodlawn HS, Russell was Centenary's iron man last year—the only player to start all 25 games—and the quarterback of the offense. Melvin passed off for 136 assists last season, second highest in Gent history and needs only 44 this year to break Lee Mansell's career record. On defense Russell and Road Runner Horne present what may be the most potent ball-stealing combination in the area.

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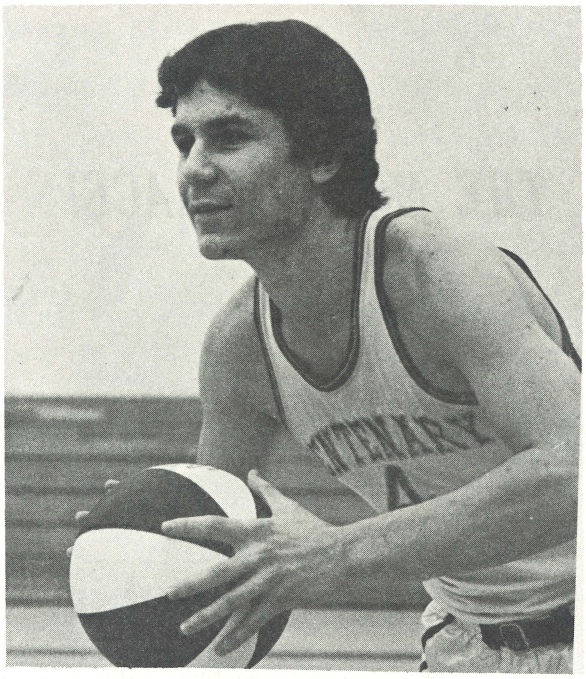
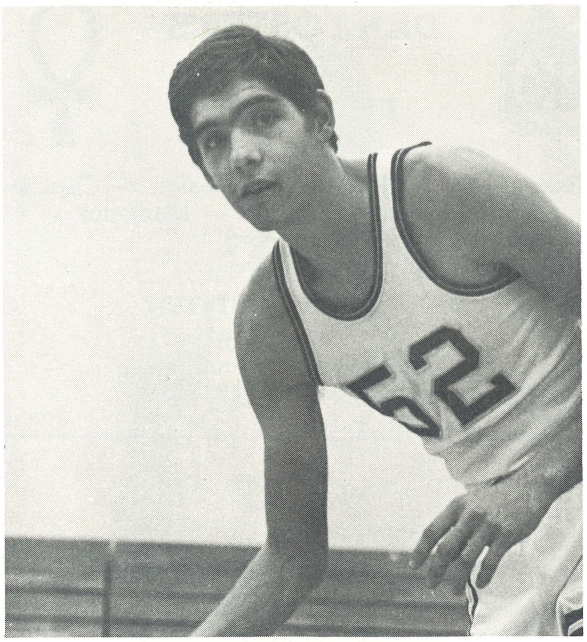


BARRY McLEOD

A surprise signee for the Gents, McLeod is one of the top players to come out of Connecticut in some time. An excellent playmaker as well as shooter, Barry led Notre Dame HS to the state tournament, with a 22-3 record,averaged 23 points during the year, and was named All-State in his class. To sharpen his already good potential, McLeod annually participates is some of the best high school summer programs in the East.



JERRY WAUGH

Unassuming and quiet off the court, Jerry Waugh does not seem like the average star ball player. On the hardwood, though, it's an entirely different story. Without flashiness, Waugh manages to do the most important thing—being in the right place at the right time. After missing 5 games with a broken foot, Jerry moved into the pivot for the Gentlets and came on to be their number 2 scorer and rebounder, while hitting on a cool 60% of his field goal attempts. A smooth ball player, Waugh will be noticed in years to come.

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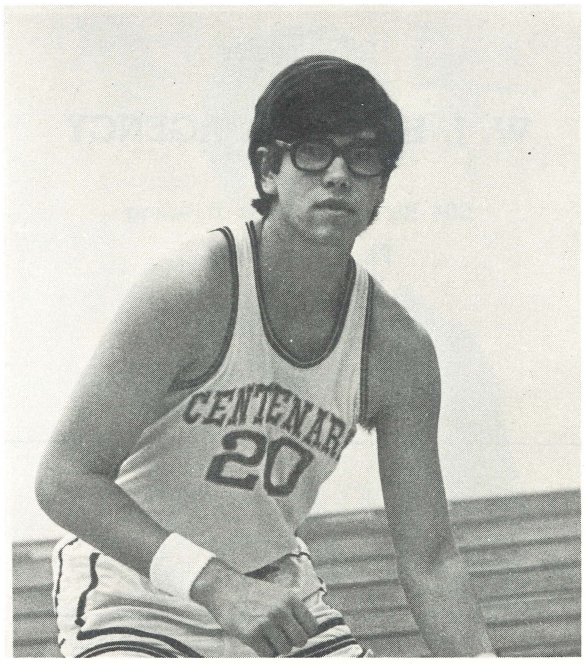

JIM BONDS

A steady and dependable ball player, Bonds is the new type guard most coaches are looking for. Big and strong, he is extremely fast on the court and excels in playmaking. Aggresive on both offense and defense, Jim still managed to average over 12 points per game while leading Jacksonville HS to and 18-8 record. He was a three-year regular in both basketball and baseball in high school, and could become the quarterback of the Freshmen this year.

ROOSEVELT FULLER

After a superb career at Valencia HS in Shreveport, La., Fuller spent two years at Henderson County JC where he achieved All-Texas Eastern Conference and All-JC District 14 recognition. At Henderson he averaged 18.5 and 26 points in his two years while adding 9 rebounds per game as a Soph. An excellent ball-handler, Fuller may see action at forward because of his tremendous ability.

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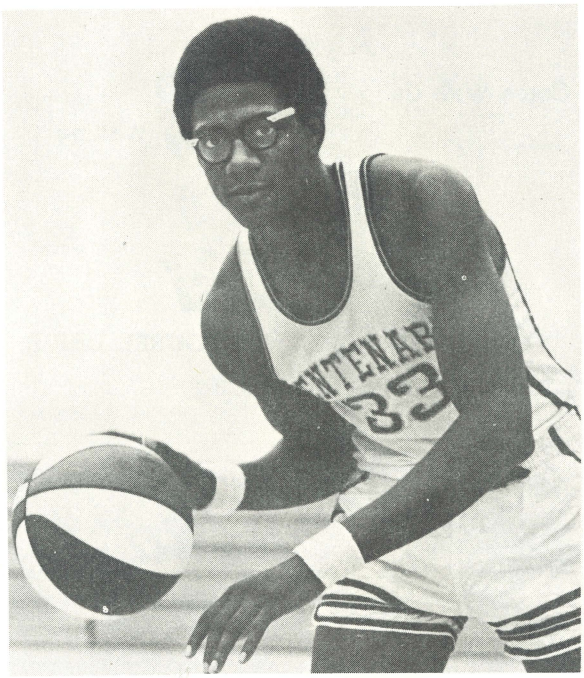
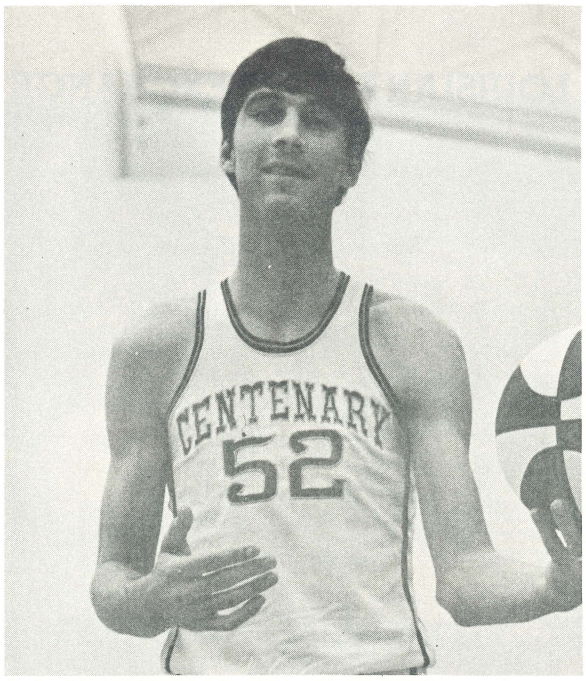


NATE BLAND

Potentially one of the hottest shooters to hit Centenary's campus in a long time, Bland comes to Shreveport from tough Philip Schuyler High in Albany, N. Y. At Schuyler, Bland averaged over 25 points a game, hitting mainly on long bombs from the outside. An excellent playmaker, Nate also has good defensive possibilities. Could be an outstanding addition to the Gent squad.



WELTON BROOKSHIRE

A big and powerful front-liner, Brookshire is expected to bring inside strength to the Centenary attack. Excellent on the boards, he averaged 18 points and 17.6 rebounds this past year, leading Huntington HS to a 32-4 record. Could be a leading factor in the Gents' plans for the next several years.

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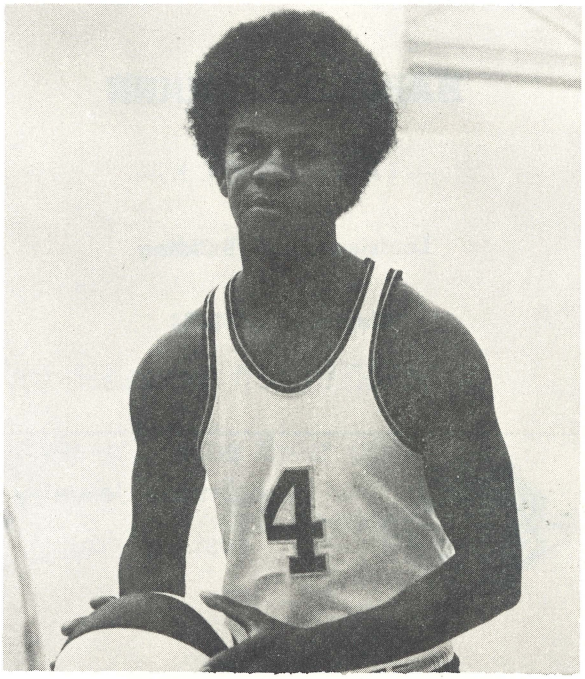
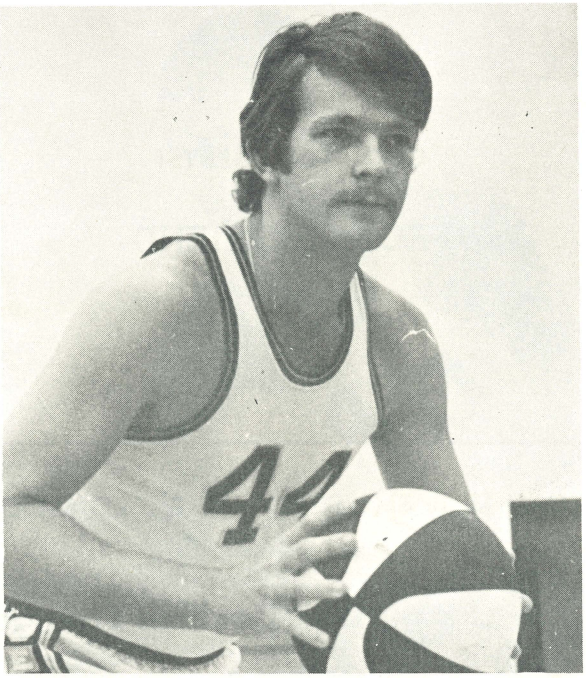


MILTON "ROAD RUNNER" HORNE

Becoming eligible at mid-semester, Road immediately established himself as one of the flashiest ball players in Centenary history. Moving everywhere on the court he caused innumerable turnovers on defense, as well as providing 60 assists during his half-year. He also scored at an 8.3 clip, fifth highest on the team. With the presence of a big post man, Centenary fans should see even more "Road Runner" heroics this season.



WYNN FONTENOT

A swing man for the offense, Fontenot is capable of playing either guard or forward. His strength is a remarkably accurate soft touch from the outside. With work on ball-control and a little experience, Wynn could come in quite handy this fall.

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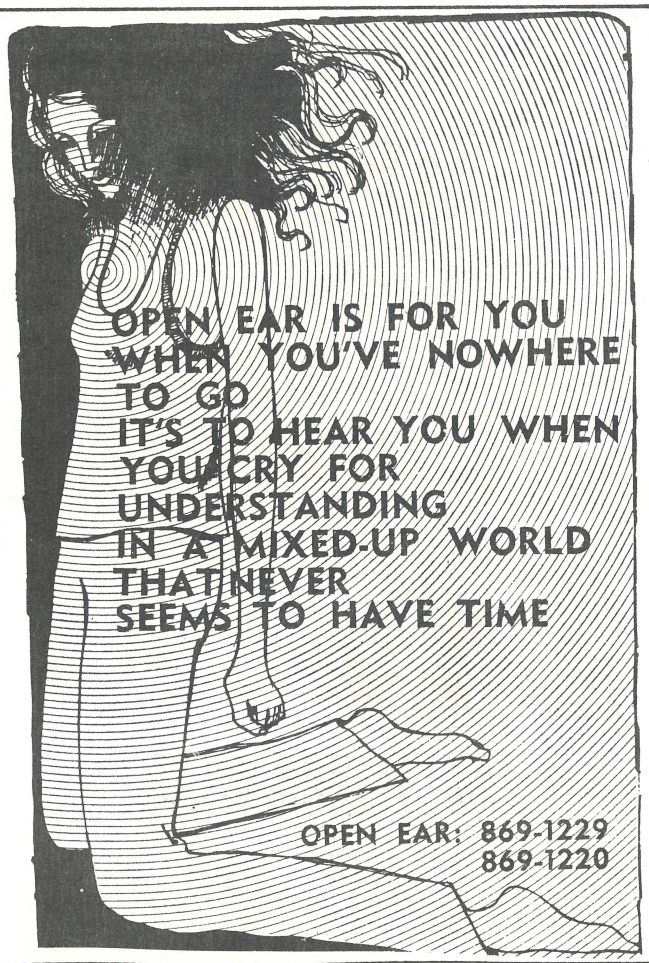

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